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Mr. Bharat Mathur Acting Regional Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region V 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, IL 60604-3950

> Re: Final Attainment Demonstration for the Indiana Portion of the Cincinnati-Hamilton OH-KY-IN Fine Particle Nonattainment Area

Dear Mr. Mathur:

On April 3, 2008, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) submitted a letter requesting that the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) parallel process the draft Annual Fine Particle Attainment Demonstration and Technical Support Document for the Indiana portion of the Cincinnati-Hamilton OH-KY-IN Fine Particle Nonattainment Area, Dearborn County (Lawrenceburg Township), Indiana. At the time of the submittal the public hearing had not been completed. The purpose of this letter is to notify you that all of the remaining elements have been completed and to submit the final document as an amendment to Indiana's State Implementation Plan (SIP).

IDEM conducted a public hearing concerning the Attainment Demonstration and Emissions Inventory on May 8, 2008 and the public comment period concluded on May 9, 2008.

Attached hereto is the final Annual Fine Particle Attainment Demonstration and Technical Support Document for the Indiana portion of the Cincinnati-Hamilton OH-KY-IN Fine Particle Nonattainment Area. This final version documents the public review process. Upon review and consideration of the comments received during the review period, IDEM has refined the attainment demonstration. Although the final version of the document has not changed substantively from the draft, it does address the relevant comments and recommendations provided during the public comment period.

The document includes the following technical elements:

- A demonstration that the area will attain the standard by the attainment date;
- Emissions reductions are due to permanent and enforceable control measures; and,
- A summary of comments made to IDEM and responses by IDEM, a copy of the transcript of the May 8, 2008 public hearing and copies of the written comments made to IDEM.

Throughout the development of the attainment demonstration, IDEM staff worked with the staff from U.S. EPA Region V, to ensure that planning issues regarding the submission were addressed. We would appreciate U.S. EPA's continued efforts to communicate regularly with us as you review this attainment demonstration.

IDEM hereby respectfully requests that the U.S. EPA proceed with final review and approval of this submittal. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Ms. Christine Pedersen, Section Chief, Air Programs Branch at (317) 233-5684.

Sincerely yours,

Daniel Murray, Assistant Commissioner

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